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1. At the end of February and the beginning of March 1951, no high-echelon military headquarters was located in Wismar (M 54/T 49). The following units in Wismar were subordinate to headquarters in Schwerin:

a. Tank Unit [] commanded by Colonel Burdennig (fnu). One Captain Revien (fnu) belonged to the unit. Major Nishcheta (fnu) left the unit for reassignment at the beginning of January 1951. (1)

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b. Arty Unit [] commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Negerovich (fnu). One Major Mozyakov (fnu) belonged to the unit. (2)

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c. Arty Unit [] commanded by Colonel Knida (fnu). Major Kalimanov (fnu), who was promoted to that rank in December 1950, belonged to the unit. Major Kononov (fnu) left for reassignment in December 1950. (3)

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d. Technical Maintenance Unit [] commanded by Major Odzomko (fnu). (4)

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e. Motorized Unit [] commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Papaha (sic). One Captain Shebetarov (fnu) belonged to the unit. (5)

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2. Unit [] was stationed in Hagenow (M 54/T 24) and commanded by Colonel Kuzovkin (fnu). One Captain Resnik (fnu) belonged to the unit. (6)

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3. One Major Tsvoryev (fnu) belonged to Arty Unit [] at the airfield in Ludwigslust (M 54/T 53). Major Knyazov (fnu) was supply officer of the officers' mess in Ludwigslust. (7)

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4. One Major Kleshin (fnu) and one Captain Yichenko (sic) belonged to Headquarters [] in Perleberg (M 54/T 70) (8).

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5. Naval Unit [] was located in Rostock (M 55/O 81). (9)

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6. One Senior Lieutenant Kalnikhenko (sic) was identified with Unit [redacted] in Varnasunde (H 55/O 82). (10)
7. On 1 March, Lieutenant Colonel Trapasnikov (fnu), accompanied by an unidentified senior lieutenant, from Parchim (H 51/T 74), reported to the office [redacted]. The officers wore red-bordered black epaulets and rode in passenger car [redacted] (11)
8. For reconditioning and the construction of another kitchen at the Schweinrich (H 51/U 22) troop training grounds, 29,800 DM-east have been appropriated. Construction there started in February and was due to be completed by 1 May at the latest.

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Comments.

- (1) [redacted] previously [redacted] belonging to a tank unit and the other time as belonging to an artillery unit. However, since only the 288th Gds Rtz Rifle Regt and the 199th Gds Gun Arty Regt of the 94th Gds Rtz Rifle Div are stationed in Wismar, and since no tanks are organically assigned to these units, it is believed that [redacted] belongs to an artillery component of the IX Rtz Rifle Corps or of the Third Shock Army. One Colonel Burdennig (fnu), mentioned in the present report as the commanding officer of Unit [redacted]
- (2) [redacted] confirms the 199th Gds Gun Arty Regt in Wismar prior to the beginning of March 1951.
- (3) [redacted] confirms the 288th Gds Rtz Rifle Regt in Wismar prior to the beginning of March 1951.
- Colonel Knida (fnu), mentioned in the present report, has been repeatedly identified [redacted] as the commanding officer of Unit [redacted] last in early January 1951. Knida probably succeeded Lieutenant Colonel Jovorov (fnu), [redacted] commanding officer of the 288th Gds Rtz Rifle Regt and who was last confirmed in mid-December 1949. The previous assumption that Colonel Knida commanded the regiment's artillery battalion is discredited in view of his rank. Majors Kalinayov (fnu) and Kononov (fnu) were previously identified with the regiment.
- (4) [redacted] belongs to a motor vehicle maintenance unit in Wismar.
- (5) [redacted] Lieutenant Colonel Papaha (fnu) as the commanding officer of Unit [redacted]. The identity and subordination of the unit, [redacted] described as motorized unit, have yet to be determined.

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- (6) [] confirms the 283d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 94th Gds Mtz Rifle Div in Hagenow prior to the beginning of March 1951. Colonel Kuzovkin (fnu) was [] to have been in command of a border guard detachment in the Flugplatz Kaserne, Hagenow, at the beginning of October 1950. [] It is possible that Kuzovkin has become commanding officer of the 283d Gds Mtz Rifle Regt.
- (7) [] belongs to an unidentified artillery unit at Techentin airfield near Ludwigslust. []
- (8) [] was reported [] as belonging to a headquarters in Perleberg in June 1950 and mid-February 1951. Since the Hq 28th Mecz Div has [] the identity of the headquarters with [] is unknown.
- (9) [] belonged to the 28th Naval Plane Base during World War II. It was observed [] in Guestraw in mid-February 1949.
- (10) [] belonging to a naval unit in Warnemuende in mid-September 1949 and, since then, [] as belonging to a small naval unit or to the harbor kommandatura in Wismar.
- (11) Lieutenant Colonel Traposnikov (fnu) [] was last identified as the deputy commander of the 60th Mecz Regt of the 18th Mecz Div. []

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